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Capper Didn't Veto These

Arthur Capper hasn't been a success as governor of Kansas. He just hasn't made good his promises, and has begun to realize it. Realizing he hasn't kept faith with the men and women of the state, he is looking for an alibi and is trying to blame his failures on a Democrat or two who happen to be in office.

However in the approving of salaries Capper forgot about his veto, and preferred to let the orphans at Atchison go without proper facilities and to make the insane sleep on the floor or put them into over-crowded dormitories rather than let a few Republican office holders go without a raise in salary. Here are some of the raises in salary that Capper could have vetoed but he didn't. He approved them all:

The State Superintendent's salary was raised from \$2,500 to \$3,000. The assistant from \$1,600 to \$2,400.

In the Secretary of State's office, the filing clerk was raised from \$900 to \$1,200.

In the Treasurer's office the bookkeeper was raised from \$1,200 to \$1,400.

In the Attorney General's office, the filing clerk was raised from \$900 to \$1,000.

In the Adjutant General's office, the Adjutant General was raised from \$2,000 to \$2,500. The assistant from \$1,400 to \$1,800. A clerk from \$900 to \$1,200.

In the Bank Commissioner's office, the bank commissioner was raised from \$2,500 to \$4,000. The deputy from \$2,000 to \$3,000. The bookkeeper from \$1,500 to \$1,800.

In the Utilities Office, the reporter was raised from \$1,200 to \$1,500. It is also reported that J. L. Bristow raised his stenographer from \$900 to \$1,200, in order that he could put in one of his political workers. Another girl was discharged without any reason who was drawing the regular stenographer's salary of \$900, and a new man given \$1,000.

In the State Board of Agriculture, the secretary's salary was raised from \$2,500 to \$3,000.

In the State Library, the assistant law clerk was raised from \$900 to \$1,200.

In the State Tax Commissioner's office, presided over by two Republicans, \$500 was voted for extra clerk hire.

In the State Board of Control the bookkeeper was raised from \$1,500 to \$1,620.

In the Supreme Court, the first assistant reporter was raised from \$1,500 to \$1,600.

Many other raises were made by the House but the Senate cut out the raises in many cases.

For Sale

A new 5 h. p. Rock Island gasoline engine, never used. Bargain price.—Sourbeer Bros.

Mrs. Lucy Bunch left the first of the week for Wichita, where she goes to attend Rebekah State Assembly. Mrs. Bunch is State Chaplain of that body.

LOST:—Somewhere on the streets of Meade last Thursday evening ladies embroidered linen handkerchief, with tatted edge. Finder leave at this office and receive suitable reward.

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Carter, of Missler, October 8th, a girl.

When You Take Cold

With the average man a cold is a serious matter and should not be trifled with, as some of the most dangerous diseases start with a common cold. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of your cold as quickly as possible. You are not experimenting when you use this remedy, as it has been in use for many years and has an established reputation. It contains no opium or other narcotic. Obtainable everywhere.

Ford Up-Sets

A. J. Byrns had rather an unpleasant mix up with his Ford last Monday morning. He was on his way to his work on a school house south of Meade, but his progress was retarded somewhere near Geo. Borger's place, where the car was overturned, and Mr. Byrns was caught beneath it. Here he was compelled to remain for nearly an hour, when he was released by the occupants of a passing car. His stay beneath the Ford was made more unpleasant by a thorough soaking with the entire contents of the gasoline tank. No bones were broken, and aside from being a little stiff, he is able to be about, and we are glad to relate, as lively as ever.

Russel Click, of Plains, was thrown from an automobile and rendered unconscious, Saturday evening while on his way to Meade. Geo. Philipps, also of Plains, was driving the car, [one used for delivery purposes] and Click and another boy were sitting in the back with their feet hanging out. As they crossed a rough place in the road a few miles west of town Click was thrown out. With the exception of intervals, he has since been unconscious. Physicians have hopes of his recovery.

Mrs. H. Llewelyn Jones, accompanied by her father, left Wednesday morning for Chicago where they will visit relatives.

W. C. T. U. Notes

The Women's Christian Temperance Union offers the programme for ensuing year as follows:

October—
Hostess, Mrs. R. A. Brannan
Leader, Mrs. D. I. Roush
Subject, Frances E. Willard Memorial Day.

November—
Hostess, Mrs. Daisy Hunt
Leader, Mrs. Lida Spiers
Subject, Report from State Convention

December—
Hostess, Mrs. Frank Sourbeer
Leader, Mrs. Walter Thacker
Subject, Universal Peace

January—
Hostess, Mrs. John Wehrle
Leader, Mrs. Laura Reiness
Subject, Mothers Meeting and Purity.

February—
Hostess, Mrs. Henry Tuttle
Leader, Mrs. E. W. Clark
Subject, Anti-Narcotics

March—
Hostess, Mrs. Mary Kinnison
Leader, Mrs. Chas. Thompson
Subject, Local Institutes

April—
Hostess, Mrs. W. L. Kelley
Leader, Mrs. Ida Smith
Subject, Young People's Branch

May—
Hostess, Mrs. Louie Smith
Leader, Mrs. Henry Tuttle
Subject, Rescue Work

June—
Hostess, Mrs. Malinda Finkle
Leader, Mrs. Clara Mitchell
Subject, Flower Mission

July—
Hostess, Mrs. Perkins
Leader, Mrs. J. A. Denslow
Subject, L. T. L. Work

August—
Hostess, Mrs. Lillie Braden
Leader, Miss Leon Rexford
Subject, Annual Meeting
Regular meetings, the second Friday of each month.

Mrs. Lida Spiers, Pres.

I Am An American

SON OF CIVIL WAR VETERAN, IN VIVID PROSE
POEM, SUMMONS ALL WHO LOVE AMERICA
TO VOTE FOR WILSON

I am an American. I hate war and I love peace and honor. My father fought in the Civil war for the cause he thought was right.

He died on the battlefield of Gettysburg.

He left a widow and five small children.

As a child at my mother's knee, I have heard her, as the tears stole down her cheeks, describe the horrors and the miseries of the days of '61.

I have read the words of Sherman who said—

"War is hell."

I try to picture the sorrow and woe of those stirring times and I see destruction and death in every city and state.

I hear the shrieks of mothers, the wails of sorrowing wives whom relentless Death made widows; the cries of children waiting in vain the return of "Daddy."

I see a land once rich in grain become more devastated than if it were visited by the seven plagues of Egypt; a land once peaceful and prosperous, the most miserable country that the sun ever shone upon. I HAVE EVERY REASON TO HATE WAR.

My mind's eye sees the terrific struggle now being waged in Europe—For what, Who Can Answer?

I tremble—like all true Americans—at the thought of our land being engulfed in this maddening sea of slaughter.

I know our President has kept us out of this awful war and I lift my voice both day and night in grateful accents to Heaven for having raised up at this crucial period Woodrow Wilson who, like Washington and Lincoln, has been the savior of America.

I know that Wilson has preserved unsullied the glory of Columbia—that he has maintained peace without sacrificing honor.

No stain of shame has ever yet besmirched the pages of our history, nor has our flag ever trailed behind the war chariot of king or emperor; and I know that while Woodrow Wilson rules the country, this boast will probably ring o'er hill and vale with no fear of a discordant echo.

I know that Wilson has endeavored, in every honorable way to preserve neutrality with foreign powers, and that his policies and actions have been criticised by men who, like Caesar, would sacrifice country for ambition.

I know men. I know that Christ himself was crucified by his own chosen people because he tried to save them.

I know that Wilson is sorely pressed and in this hour of dire need asks true Americans to help him fight the moral battles of America. AND THIS I SHALL DO.

My country's flag waves from no lordly castle but flings its folds to the breeze of freedom—the proud emblem of the greatest nation the world has ever known.

THEREFORE

I want no change of administration at this hour of terrible uncertainty. I care not whether Wilson is a Republican or a Democratic leader.

He has gone through the crucible of criticism and slander and has come forth radiant like a mass of molten gold.

I know that on his shoulders rests a government dearer to him than life itself.

I know that at its integrity thousands of people at home are striking, while at its foreign eyes are glaring, and I know that Wilson has never faltered.

This ordeal with its attending sorrow and sadness occasioned by the ingratitude of some may have aged him, but it has added beauty and sublimity to his character and has not only humanized every instinct but has expanded and elevated him to the heights, where the venomous darts of slander can not wound him.

I believe in the words of the poet: "Great men grow greater by the lapse of time; we know those least whom we have seen the latest; and they 'mongst those who have grown sublime—who fought for Human Liberty are Greatest."

The man who has stood at the helm of state and has piloted us through the channel of danger out into the calm waters of peace, contentment and prosperity—THAT MAN I SHALL STAND BY.

That man is Woodrow Wilson.

I shall vote for him because I AM AN AMERICAN.

For Sale

Small Novelty and Notion Store doing nice business. Good chance for wide awake party with small capital. Reason for selling, ill health. Enquire, Novelty Store, Meade, Kansas.

Allen to Lansing

On Saturday, October, 7th, the Supreme Court affirmed the decision of the lower Court in the Allen case, and as soon as county attorney Sullivan was advised of this fact by wire, he caused a commitment to be issued and Allen was taken into custody. His attorneys made strenuous efforts to secure his release, arguing that the commitment was prematurely issued, but without avail. The official Mandate was received from the Supreme Court to day, and Sheriff Krisle will leave with Allen for the penitentiary at Lansing, this evening, (Thursday.)

Thus closes the chapter, and those who predicted that Allen would never be convicted, or, being convicted, would never go to the pen, are entitled to another guess.

Sheriff Krisle left Thursday

to bring back a party charged with "white slavery." Within twenty-four hours after complaint was filed with County Attorney Sullivan, this party had been located in Nebraska and was jailed by the Nebraska authorities to await the coming of the Meade county sheriff. Quick work.

F. E. Byrns has commenced the erection of a modern bungalow in the east part of the city.

Mrs. J. W. Russel returned to her home in Plains Wednesday after an extended stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wood.

Mrs. Harry Busing suffered a stroke of paralysis at her home, south of Meade, last Friday evening. At this time she is reported to be much improved and hope for her recovery is entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lamkin, and son Charles, of Dodge City, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herne, spent Friday of last week in Meade. Mr. and Mrs. Lamkin formerly resided just across the line, in Gray county.

Jurors for October Term

J. H. Hieronemus
J. G. Gable
Geo. Lasater
M. A. Kindig
J. N. Haver
J. W. Eaton
Alvin Basinger
Edward Blaue
A. I. Carey
Logan Thacker
M. A. Evans
Lou Horton
W. H. Geisinger
Jake Specht
J. C. Hickey
Harry Masters
Frank Armentrout
E. M. Angell
T. H. Barclay
W. S. Gibbons
Albert Gum
F. C. Dahm
Claude Clements
Joe Gerber
C. A. Garber
F. J. Meyer
V. J. Miller
J. M. Correll
J. C. Lowery
Fred Borchers

Methodist

The Sunday school on last Sunday showed a great increase over the attendance of the Sunday before and also a big increase over the year ago.

We also noticed quite an increase in the church attendance both morning and evening.

We are expecting a greater increase next Sunday and urge all of our membership and all of our friends to come out and help make the day a big day in the way of the greatest attendance that we have ever had in the Sunday school.

In the evening service on next Sunday we will have with us one of the leaders of our church, a member of the board of education who will preach to us and represent our college interests.

On account of the rally at Sunny Dell on last Sunday we did not hold our service at Missler and we are glad to say we witnessed the biggest rally it has been our privilege to witness in a long time. There was enough people there to fill the house twice and they served a dinner that would excite the envy of a king. Everybody enjoyed the program in the afternoon and all went away with the thought that Sunny Dell people know how to have a good rally.

There will be preaching at Sunny Dell on next Sunday afternoon.

You are invited to worship with us in all of our services.

S. M. HUNT.

A Short Talk About Some Things of Interest to You and Your Neighbors

Cities Gain, Country Loses

The figures of the Kansas State Tax Commission for 1915 show that while during the previous 12-month period real estate values in the cities of Kansas increased nearly six million dollars, farm land values in the state of Kansas during the same period decreased a little more than six hundred and thirty thousand dollars. City values increasing—farm values decreasing. A survey made recently by the Missouri State University, covering 650 farms, showed farm land in two miles of a good town, worth \$78 an acre; in four miles, \$70; in six miles, \$60; in eight miles, \$58; and farms a greater distance from a good town ran down to \$55 an acre. These figures show that location has something to do with farm land values. A farm near a good town has greater value; farther away, less value. A farm near a dead town may possess no greater value than a farm a long way from a good town. Move a farm away from a good town, its value shrinks. Kill the town, the same thing happens to the farm—its value shrinks. The farm

has been removed. It is not near a good town. The people of Kansas are sending out of the state 20 million dollars a year to buy at retail goods which could be bought at a fair price in the state. Loss of business will kill a town. When a town dies, it loses in population. Two hundred and ninety-four Kansas towns and villages lost in population during a 12 month period ending 1915. When a town loses business and population the farms around that town are pretty likely to shrink a little in value. The demand for these farms is not so great. Men like to buy land near a good town—not near a dead one. Real estate in the larger cities of Kansas is increasing in value because these cities are increasing in population—and they are increasing in population because they are doing more business. Many Kansas country towns are losing in population because they are doing less business. Business they should be doing is going to large cities outside our own state. And the Kansas community builder should not forget that location has something to do with land values.

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